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NATIONAL HORTICULTURE BOARD
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the incentives given to small farmers, farmer`s organizations, Government and Non-Governmental organizations by the National Horticulutre Board for the development ofvarious fruits and flowers cultivation through latest agricultural techniques during the last three years;

(b) whether the said board has given a very scanty incentive to Karnataka;

(c) if so, the reasons therefore; and

(d) the number of projects sanctioned in Karnataka and the success achieved therefrom so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, through National Horticulture Board(NHB), is implementing a Scheme – `Development of Commercial Horticulture throughProduction and Post Harvest Management` – under which back-ended Capital Investment Subsidy @20% of the total project cost with a maximum limit of Rs. 25 lakh per project is provided to those projects which are found technically and financially viable. However, for the North-Eastern/Tribal/Hilly Areas, maximum limit of subsidy is Rs. 30 lakh per project. The salient features of the Scheme are enclosed at Annexure I. The progress under the Scheme, during the last three years, is given at Annexure II.

(b) to (d): Under the scheme, 131 projects with a subsidy of Rs.9.70crores have beensanctioned in the State of Karnataka out of 1078 projects with a subsidy of Rs.49.94 crores sanctioned in the country, during the last three years. The Scheme is entrepreneur driven.

ANNEXURE - I

Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post-Harvest Management.

Name of the Scheme/ Project Components Pattern of Assistance
i) Production
Related

- ii) PHM/ Processing related High quality commercial horticulture crops
- Indigenous crops/produce, herbs
- Aromatic & Medicinal Plants
- Seed & Nursery
- Biotechnology, Tissue Culture
- Bio-pesticides
- Organic Foods
- Primary processing of products
- Estt. Of Hort. Health Clinics/ Laboratory (For Agriculture/Horticulture unemployed graduates)
- Consultancy Services
- Bee-keeping.
- Grading/ /Washing/Sorting/Drying/ Packing centers
- Pre-cooling Unit/Cool Stores
- Refer Van/Containers
- Sp.Transport Vehicle
- Retail Outlets
- Auction Platform
- Ripening curing chamber
- Market yard/rope ways
- Processing unit/ Radiation unit/VHT unit
- Hort. Ancillary industry e.g. tools, equipment, plastics, packaging etc.
- Crates, Cartons, Aseptic Packaging& Nets (50% subsidy)
- Back-ended capital subsidy not exceeding 20% of the project cost with a maximum limit of Rs 25 lakh per project. For the North-Eastern/ Tribal/Hilly Areas, maximum limit of subsidy would be Rs 30.00 lakh per project

Eligible Organisations

The eligible promoters under the above scheme shall include NGOs, Association of Growers, Individuals, Partnership/Proprietary Firms Companies, Corporations, Cooperatives, Agricultural Produce Marketing Committees, Marketing Boards/ Committees, Municipal Corporations/ Committees, Agro-Industries Corporations, SAUs and other concerned R&D organizations.

Annexure-II

State-wise break-up of projects sanctioned under the scheme `Development of Commercial Horticulture through Production and Post Harvest Management` during the period from 2000-2001 to 2002-2003.

S.No.	Name of the State	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03	
		No. of Projects	Subsidy released (in crores)	No.of Pro-jects	Subsidy released (in crores)	No.of Pro-jects	Subsidy released (in crores)
	Andhra Pradesh	2	0.5	6	0.35	74	2.39
	Bihar	1	0.22	1	0.01	2	0.05
	Chattisgargh	0	0	0	0	13	0.63
	Delhi	0	0	0	0	3	0.16
	Gujarat	1	0.25	15	1.18	108	5.51
	Haryana	0	0	9	0.3	14	0.81
	Himachal Pradesh	2	0.21	5	0.38	19	0.68
	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	1	0.04	3	0.27
	Karnataka	4	0.94	26	2.95	101	5.81
	Kerala	0	0	4	0.12	12	0.14
	Madhya Pradesh	0	0	40	0.13	64	0.59
	Maharashtra	5	0.55	149	6.05	221	7.92
	Orissa	1	0.25	2	0.13	13	0.89
	Punjab	2	0.25	8	0.94	6	0.85
	Rajasthan	0	0	1	0.03	14	0.31
	Tamil Nadu	0	0	29	2.53	32	2.39
	Uttaranchal	0	0	0	0	7	0.1
	Uttar Pradesh	1	0.25	2	0.12	17	0.69
	West Bengal	0	0	6	0.06	6	0.11
	Arunachal Pradesh	1	0.15	1	0.15	0	0
	Assam	0	0	1	0.004	5	0.24
	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	1	0.04
	Manipur	1	0.02	1	0.02	3	0.08
	Nagaland	1	0.01	2	0.09	5	0.09
	Sikkim	3	0.01	0	0	1	0.004
	Jharkhand	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	25	3.61	309	15.58	744	30.75